

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN MATT BRAINARD**, on January 22, 1999 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 420 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Matt Brainard, Chairman (R)
Rep. Toni Hagener, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Allan Walters, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Darrel Adams (R)
Rep. Joan Andersen (R)
Rep. Edith Clark (R)
Rep. Tom Dell (D)
Rep. George Golie (D)
Rep. Donald L. Hedges (R)
Rep. Monica Lindeen (D)
Rep. Jeff Mangan (D)
Rep. Douglas Mood (R)
Rep. Brennan Ryan (D)
Rep. Frank Smith (D)
Rep. Bill Tash (R)
Rep. Bill Thomas (R)
Rep. Doug Wagner (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Sheri Heffelfinger, Legislative Branch
Karen Mills, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s): HB 274, 148, 268, 182, 1/22/1999
Posted: HB 274-1/13, HB 148-1/5, HB 268-1/12, HB 182-1/4
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON HB 274

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. MARION HANSON

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0.4 - 2.4}

Proponents' Testimony:

JOHN ALKE: Mt./Dak. Utilities Co.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 2.5 - 4.6}

ED BARTLETT: Mgr. of Montana Power Co.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 4.7 - 4.9}

GEOFF FEISS, Mt. Telecom Assoc.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 5.1 - 5.7}

MARTIN JACOBSON: PSC

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 5.8 - 6}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 6.4 - 8.2}

Thomas to Rep. Hanson--The bill still requires reporting to other agencies but takes out the PSC.

Opponents' Testimony: None

Closing by Sponsor: REP. HANSON

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 8.3 - 8.4}

HEARING ON HB 148

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. GEORGE GOLIE **EXHIBIT**(sth17a01)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 9.7 - 9.8}

Proponents' Testimony:

MIKE O'CONNOR: PERS

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 10.1 - 10.8}

HARLAN ORHAM: Retired Great Falls firefighter

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 10.8 - 12.5}

PAT CLINCH: Fire Fighter's Assoc. **EXHIBIT**(sth17a02)
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 12.7 - 13.7}

Opponents' Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:
Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 14.4 - 27.6

Closing by Sponsor: REP. GEORGE GOLIE
{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 27.7 - 28.5}

HEARING ON HB 268

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. BRAD MOLNAR
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.4 - 7.8}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor: REP. BRAD MOLNAR
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 12.8 - 13}

HEARING ON HB 182

Opening Statement by Sponsor: REP. CHRIS AHNER
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 13.6 - 15.2}

Proponents' Testimony: MIKE O'CONNOR, PERS **EXHIBIT**(sth17a03)
{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 15.8 - 29}

KELLY JENKINS, Legal Counsel PERS
{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 5.9 - 18}

PAT CLINCH: MSCPFF
{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 18.3 - 18.7}

DAVE SENN: Ex. Dir. of TRS
Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 18.8 - 1

Opponents' Testimony:

MARY BRYSON: Dept. of Revenue **EXHIBIT**(sth17a04)
Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 20 - 27.1

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 28 - 30}

Informational Testimony: Not enclosed because he didn't sign in.

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 0.1 - 20.6}

Closing by Sponsor: REP. CHRIS AHNER

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 20.8 - 21.1}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:00 A.M.

REP. MATT BRAINARD, Chairman

KAREN MILLS, Secretary

MB/KM

EXHIBIT (sth17aad)